

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Go Iwasaki

Serial No: 10/721,310

Filed: November 25, 2003

For: OUTPUT BUFFER CIRCUIT AND SEMICONDUCTOR
MEMORY USING THE SAME

Art Unit: 2827

Confirmation No. 7084

Examiner: Thong Quoc Le

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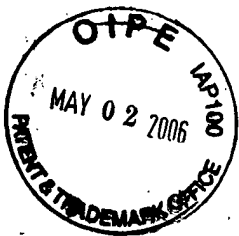
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 30, 2006. The time period for responding to the outstanding office action extends to Monday, May 1, 2006. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

The claims are listed starting on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.